

Kentucky Parent Involvement Calendar January 2010



"All parents can make a difference in the life of a child by being involved with their education."

Harvard Family Research Project

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Some information is gleaned from materials from the Channing Bete Company, Inc.					Happy (New Year!	Brainstorm ways to become a better person in the new year. Have family members choose one thing they can do to improve themselves.
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Make hot chocolate together. Ask your child to count out some marshmallows while you pour.	Encourage your child to do his best in school since today is the first day of the second semester!	Check out your school's newsletter or website to find out about upcoming activities and events.	Put a glass of water near a window. Have your child measure it daily and explain that the missing water evaporates.	Check out www.kypirc.org for daily parenting tips.	Cut out paper snowflakes to decorate your house. Remember – don't cut on the folded line!	Help your child make a fort out of blankets and camp out inside.
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Let your child plan a meal, then work together to prepare it.	Contact your local Family Resource and Youth Services Center to find out their upcoming events.	Praise your child for trying something new.	Read a story together. Think of a different ending and have your child write it down.	Find out how to get involved in your local PTA or other parent organization.	Have a music night. (Each person sings or plays a recording of a favorite song.)	Have a scavenger hunt inside! See how many round objects your child can find in 5 minutes.
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Think of 5 ways your family can produce less trash – and help protect the environment.	Dr. Martin L. King, Jr. Day Talk to your child about the role Dr. King played in history.	See how many nursery rhymes you and your child can think of together.	Ask your child's teacher what you can do at home to help your child do better at school.	National Hugging Day Give your child a hug!	Point out your child's successes.	Make a fire safety evacuation plan. Talk about what to do in an emergency situation.
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
If weather permits – build a snowman or have a snowball fight. 31 Make plans for family time in February.	As you travel together in the car – ask your child math facts (addition, subtraction or multiplication.)	Play a game of "Simon Says" and see how well your child can follow directions.	Talk about your family's heritage and where your ancestors originated.	Play a few games of "tic- tack-toe" or "hangman."	National Puzzle Day Work a puzzle together as a family.	Plan a menu with food from other cultures.



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